On the Calendar

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| Pardo to Participate on UAlbany Public Engagement Panel
March 11, 2015 | University at Albany, NY USA
CTG Director Theresa A. Pardo will participate in a University at Albany campus forum entitled Telling Our Story of Public Engagement. The forum is an initiative of the President’s Public Engagement Council and hosted by UAlbany President Robert J. Jones and Provost James Stellar. Dr. Pardo along with the other panelists from UAlbany will discuss how their work at the University helps address complex societal challenges both locally and globally.

| Cook to Participate in Digital and Mobile Government Panel at Annual ASPA Conference
March 6-10, 2015 | Chicago, Illinois USA
CTG Program Director Meghan Cook will participate in a panel discussion titled Going Digital and Mobile in State and Local Government at the American Society of Public Administration (ASPA) Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois. She will present on “Mobile Government: Dimensions to Assess Readiness and Gauge Progress (And Other Lessons From The Field ).” More>

| Pardo to Participate in Panel Discussion on Effective and Responsible Use of Student Data
February 18, 2015 | Webinar
Along with other national and local experts on student data protection and use, CTG Director Dr. Theresa Pardo will participate in the webinar titled 5 Ways Community Organizations Can Ensure Effective & Responsible Student Data Use. Dr. Pardo along with the other panelists will discuss five ways community organizations can ensure effective and responsible use of student data, and share real-world examples of how these practices are helping communities improve education outcomes for kids. The webinar is organized by StriveTogether, a national cradle-to-career initiative that brings together leaders in Pre-K-12 schools, higher education, business and industry, community organizations, government leaders, parents and other stakeholders who are committed to helping children succeed from birth through careers. For more information about the webinar and to register >>

| Gil-Garcia to Participate in NSF Conference on Broadband Internet
February 12-13, 2015 | Arizona State University, Tucson, AZ USA
CTG’s Research Director, J. Ramon Gil-Garcia, will participate in the NSF Broadband Use Data and Repository Conference, which will be hosted by the Arizona State University School of Public Affairs and Center for Policy Informatics. Dr. Gil-Garcia will join other researchers from throughout the country to discuss strategies for measuring broadband use and social benefits and how broadband data can inform better policy decisions.

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Dawes to Participate in UN Expert Group Meeting on Sustainable Development Goals
January 28-29, 2015 | UN Headquarters, New York, NYUSA
CTG Senior Fellow Dr. Sharon Dawes will be a lead participant in a United Nations Expert Group Meeting entitled "Policy integration in government in pursuit of the sustainable development goals," at the UN Headquarters in New York. The event is sponsored by Division for Public Administration and Development Management of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs and will engage experts from government, academia, the UN, OECD, World Bank and other organizations to review developments in the field of policy integration in government administration. The results will contribute to an April session of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (CEPA), on building trust in government in pursuit of sustainable development goals. More>

Gil-Garcia to Present on Research at International Conference on System Sciences
January 5-6, 2015 | Kauai, HawaiiUSA
CTG Research Director and UAlbany Rockefeller College Associate Professor Dr. J. Ramon Gil-Garcia is joining leading digital government researchers from around the world at the 48th Annual Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences. Dr. Gil-Garcia is presenting two papers highlighting research on the determinants of successful inter-organizational information sharing by governments throughout the United States and measuring and evaluating judicial websites in Mexico. Also, he is the co-chair of the conference’s Transformational Government mini-track. More>

Pardo to Present Lecture on Creating Capability for Data Analytics
December 11-14, 2014 | Moscow Urban Forum, MoscowRussian Federation
CTG Director Dr. Theresa Pardo to participate by invitation at the "Government and Citizens: Technologies of Collaboration Conference" within the Moscow Urban Forum. She will present a lecture, "Creating capability for data analytics" as part of the public policy making process. Dr. Pardo will also sit on a panel with other experts focused on effective strategies for online citizen participation. The Moscow Urban Forum is organized annually under the auspices of the Moscow Government. The Forum has established itself as an important international event for discussions between some of world’s most acknowledged experts in city planning and urban development and is supported by the World Bank and the Urban Land Institute. More>

Electronic Government for IT Leaders
December 5, 2014 | Autonomous University of the State of Mexico, City of TolucaMexico
CTG Research Director Dr. J. Ramon Gil-Garcia is speaking at an event organized by the Autonomous University of the State of Mexico, United Nations University, and the City of Toluca in the State of Mexico. The event, “Electronic Government for IT Leaders,” will focus on public managers from cities and other local governments in the metropolitan area of Toluca and also Mexico and Latin America. Some of the topics that Dr. Gil-Garcia will speak on include electronic government, inter-organizational collaboration and information sharing, social media in government, smart cities, open government, and e-participation.

Pardo to Present Talk on Information Sharing, Big Data, and Public Safety
November 18, 2014 | New York City, NY
The issue of sharing information has gained increased attention post-9/11. Theresa Pardo will discuss her perspectives on information sharing in all its forms, the “Big Data” phenomenon, and their implications for public safety managers and homeland security professionals.
Theresa will bring her authoritative perspective on these issues as a pioneer in making technology work for governmental organizations. The talk is being given at the Christian Regenhard Center for Emergency Response Studies (RACERS) at the John Jay College for Criminal Justice. More>>

**Big Data: Applications, Infrastructures, and Implications**
November 14, 2014 | Waltham, MassachusettsUSA
CTG Director Theresa Pardo gave the closing keynote at the 2014 Bentley Research Colloquium. The colloquium, titled Big Data: Applications, Infrastructures, and Implications, focused on big data and other sociotechnical innovations, with a specific interest in technical, societal, organizational, ethical, and policy implications of big data. The event brought together Bentley faculty, staff, and students with key members of external stakeholder groups to highlight Bentley’s research within this important topic area, to identify synergies and collaboration opportunities, and to develop Bentley’s research agenda related to big data further. More>

**Cook to Present at Symposium on Digital Democracy**
November 13-14, 2014 | Porto Alegre, Rio Grande do SulBrazil
Meghan Cook will be speaking on the Open Government panel at the 1st Symposium on Digital Democracy, sponsored by the Regional Electoral Court of Rio Grande do Sul, through its Electoral Judicial School of Rio Grande do Sul. The panel will focus on digital democracy, addressing different themes such as politics, elections, public services and social control of the state, with its target audience being the political and academic community of Rio Grande do Sul, as well as judges and servants of electoral court.

**Challenges of International Research Partnerships**
November 4-6, 2014 | Albuquerque, New MexicoUSA
Sharon Dawes will take part in the "Challenges of International Research Partnerships" panel at NASPAA Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. This panel brings together senior administrators from Korea, Mexico, and the United States to share their experiences—both successful and unsuccessful—around research partnerships. It will be a roundtable discussion in which we will provide opening remarks and then open discussion up to topics of interest to the audience. More>

**Pedagogy of Information Technology in government**
November 4-6, 2014 | Albuquerque, New MexicoUSA
Sharon Dawes will be speaking at the "Pedagogy of Information Technology in Government" panel at NASPAA Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The panelists will reflect on what constitutes pedagogical excellence for dealing with the emerging challenges of IT and PA. It will cover four themes: (a) the NASPAA standards on the inclusion of information technology in the curriculum; (b) the state of the art of IT curriculum in public administration schools; (c) characteristics of places with higher degree of IT and E-government achievement; and (d) technology training needs of public administrators for dealing with IT projects. More>

**#OpenData #BigData: Data, Big and Small, in the Public Affairs Curriculum**
November 4-6, 2014 | Albuquerque, New MexicoUSA
Natalie Helbig will be speaking on the Open Data/ Big Data panel at the NASPAA Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The panel features programs examining the role of big and open data within the curriculums of Public Affairs colleges. The panel will explore: what programs
are doing to prepare students to work with big and open data; how these advances in informatics can be incorporated into various aspects of curriculum; and how schools are responding to internal and external pressures to graduate stronger data analytic students. More>

Pardo to Participate on the Jury Panel for the Sultan Qaboos Award for Excellence in eGovernment
November 1-5, 2014 | Al Athaiba, Sultanate of Oman
Theresa Pardo has been invited by the Information Technology Authority of Sultanate of Oman to participate in the Sultan Qaboos Award for Excellence in eGovernment Award Jury Panel for 2014. The national competition targets government institutions and is a result of His Majesty's call for the development of a national strategy developing knowledge of citizens and skills in dealing with information technology and a call for all government institutions to accelerate the enhancement of services by digital technology and best practices. More>>

Cook to Present on Academic-Government Partnerships at ICEGOV2014
October 27-30, 2014 | Guimarães, Portugal
At the 8th International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance (ICEGOV2014), Meghan Cook, along with William Travis (Retired NYS Human Services Cluster CIO and Deputy Commissioner of NYS Office of Children and Family Services), will be presenting real cases drawn from CTG's work with New York State, in a session focused on how academic and government partnerships are innovative, cutting edge, and mutually beneficial. The session will show how CTG engaged with NYS government to produce tangible results for government agencies while providing access and opportunities for research; and how these types of partnerships are structured. More>>

CTG to Participate at ICEGOV2014
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CTG will be participating at the 8th International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance (ICEGOV2014). The main purpose of ICEGOV2014 is to explore research and policy implications and discuss way forward for technology-enabled and data-intensive public governance in the post-2015 world. Theresa Pardo is a member of the Advisory Committee, and Sharon Dawes, Natalie Helbig, and Meghan Cook are members of the Program Committee. More>>

Cook to Present on the Evolving Role of Local Government CIOs
October 9, 2014 | Watkins Glen, NY
Meghan Cook will be presenting at the New York State Local Government IT Directors Association's (NYSLGITDA) fall conference. Meghan's presentation will focus on the Evolving Role of Local Government CIOs. NYSLGITDA is dedicated to the coordination and improvement of information technology in all types of governments in New York State. More>>

Dawes and Gil-Garcia to Participate at IFIP EGov 2014
September 1-3, 2014 | Dublin, Ireland
Sharon Dawes and Ramon Gil-Garcia will be participating at the IFIP eGovernment Conference 2014, which is organized by the IFIP Working Group 8.5 on information systems in the public sector. Dawes and Gil-Garcia are senior faculty of the PhD Colloquium, which aims to bring PhD students who are scattered across countries and disciplines more together. Both Dawes and Gil-Garcia are also on the Program Committee of this conference, which brings
together scholars from all over the globe to present the state of the art and most recent innovations in e-government, e-governance and related fields of study. The conference provides a highly interactive and professional forum for exchanging research concepts, progress and results. Ramon will present two papers on which he is co-author, Towards an Evaluation Model for Open Government: A Preliminary Proposal, and The Problem of Technological and Social Determinism: Integrative Approaches and some Non-Deterministic Concepts for Digital Government. More>>

CTG to Partner with SUNY’s Cradle to Career Alliance (C2C) Annual Convening  
June 26-27, 2014 | New York City, NY
CTG is partnering with SUNY’s Cradle to Career Alliance (C2C) Annual Convening in New York City. This year’s convening is focused on the use of data analytics to support the goals of the Alliance partners. The conference will provide knowledge sharing opportunities through both presentations and facilitated working sessions. Theresa Pardo will give a plenary presentation on the changing data context highlighting the new world of “big data” and data science and a set of new resources available to support such efforts such as state and city level data portals and new “data executives.” Theresa, along with Meghan Cook and Donna Canestraro will also facilitate the day-long working sessions, which will focus on helping the Alliance meet their goal of tracking their collective impact. More on the Alliance>>

Costello Presenting on New Web Tools at NYS Forum  
June 20, 2014 | Albany, NY
The NYS Forum is hosting a meeting on Web Transformation, Accessibility, Sass, the Future and other Webstuff. As part of this session, Jim Costello will give an introductory walk-through and demo on using Sass/Compass in Web projects. In addition, Luke Charde, enterprise architect at NYS ITS, will provide updates on the NYS ITS Web Transformation Project and the recently revised NYS Accessibility Policy and Strategy Documents. The Accessibility revisions were completed earlier this year by a team consisting of Debi Orton, Mike Short, Kristen Albright, Lisa Young, Valerie Perrotte, Joel Obuchowski, Marty Navojosky, Jim Costello, and Luke Charde. More>>

CTG Participating in Conference Management Roles at dg.o2014  
June 18-21, 2014 | Aguascalientes City, Mexico
The 15th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research (dg.o2014) is focusing on Open Innovations and Sustainable Development in Government: Experiences from around the World. J. Ramon Gil-Garcia is serving as Program Co-Chair, Natalie Helbig as a Track Chair, Teresa Harrison as a Panel Chair, and Sharon Dawes and Ramon are both Doctoral Colloquium Chairs. Papers, workshops, tutorials, and panel proposals are due February 1, 2014, and applications for the Doctoral Colloquium are due March 15, 2014. More>>

Pardo to Speak at Workshop on Privacy and Big Data  
June 16, 2014 | New York City, NY
New York University’s Center for Urban Science and Progress (CUSP) is holding a workshop centered on a preview of the upcoming book, Privacy, Big Data, and the Public Good: Frameworks for Engagement, at the New York Academy of Sciences. Speakers include big data experts and the book’s co-editors: Dr. Julia Lane, an Institute Fellow at the American Institutes for Research (AIR), Victoria Stodden of Columbia University, Stefan Bender of the Institute for Employment Research of the German Federal Employment Agency, and Helen Nissenbaum of NYU. Theresa Pardo is the capstone speaker for the workshop, and will close
the day with highlights and reflections.

**Pardo to Present at Major Cities of Europe Annual Conference**
June 2-4, 2014 | Zurich, Switzerland
The focus of the 2014 Major Cities of Europe Conference is Cities managing complexity in the digital world – prepared for the upcoming challenges? Theresa Pardo is giving a presentation on ICT Innovation and Public Value: The complex process of choice making. The presentation will focus on how CTG's public value framework allows governments to identify public value in terms of social, political, quality of life, strategic, economic, stewardship, and ideologial values to inform the complex process of ICT investment decision making. More>>

**Cook Leading Workshop and Presenting Paper at CeDEM14**
May 21-23, 2014 | Krems, Austria
The international Conference for e-Democracy and Open Government brings together e-democracy, e-participation and open government specialists working in academia, politics, government and business to critically analyse the innovations, issues, ideas and challenges in the networked societies of the digital age. Meghan Cook will be conducting a workshop on Maximizing the Public Value of Open Government: A Workshop on CTG’s Strategic Planning Approach. In addition, Meghan will be presenting a paper entitled Open Data Planning Activities: Emerging Practices from a Public Value Approach. The conference is hosted by the Centre for E-Governance at the Danube University Krems; the center has been organizing conferences on e-democracy and public administration since 2007. More>>

**Pardo to Keynote at Tunisia's 1st International Conference on Electronic Government**
May 13-14, 2014 | Tunis, Tunisia
Theresa Pardo will give a keynote presentation at Tunisia's 1st International Conference on Electronic Government. The conference will bring together both researchers and practitioners to encourage an open discussion of the strategies and challenges of electronic government and its implications for Tunisian society. Theresa's presentation will be focused on Building a 21st Century e-Government Strategy: A guide for government leaders. CTG is also a sponsoring organization of the conference, which is being organized by the Tunisian Management Scientific Society under the patronage of the Minister of Higher Education, Scientific Research, Information and Communication Technologies. More>>

**CTG to Host Workshop on Policy Informatics in the PA Curriculum**
May 9, 2014 | Albany, NY
CTG will host a one-day National Science Foundation-sponsored workshop entitled, Policy Informatics in the PA Curriculum: A workshop to explore integration of data-intensive analytical skills in public affairs education. Much is being said and written about “big data” and “data science,” but much less attention has focused on identifying what skills are required of the next generation of public managers, policy analysts, and informed citizens. Participants from several different universities in the US and Europe will come together to confront the changing type, amount, and quality of policy-relevant information and develop ways to train professional analysts in new areas of data-intensive science and decision making environments.

**CTG to Lead National Forum on the Critical Role of Public Libraries in Supporting Open Government**
May 7-8, 2014 | Alexandria, VA
The National Forum will focus on refining and improving a preliminary framework developed by
CTG, in partnership with an advisory committee of public library, information and library science, and open government experts, to help public libraries describe their current open government related efforts and plan for future ones. The forum will also serve as an incubator to discuss potential future projects focused on further developing public library capabilities for supporting opening government within their communities. More>>

Pardo to Co-Chair UAlbany’s Inaugural President’s Forum on Data
May 5, 2014 | Albany, NY
New technologies, tools, and techniques for capturing, managing, and using data are making it possible to push the edges of what is known and serve society in new and innovative ways. To do so requires new kinds of partnerships across disciplines and sectors and new sets of skills for graduates to fill the fast-growing job market for data scientists. Building on the unique and particular advanced data analytics strengths of the University at Albany, the Inaugural Forum on Data convened by President Robert Jones, as part of the UA2020 Advanced Data Analytics initiative, will bring together the UAlbany Community with experts from industry and government to explore the latest applications of advanced data analytics. More>>

Pardo to Present on Opening Government Data and Creating Public Value for NITRD
April 22, 2014 | Washington, DC
The Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) Program is hosting a discussion led by Theresa Pardo who will present on Opening Government Data and Creating Public Value. Theresa will highlight work carried out by CTG together with government entities around the world to examine the range of public value that accrues to different stakeholders when opening and using government data. Remote participation is available, see details. More>>

Pardo to Co-Chair Panel on e-Government at IRSPM 2013
April 9-11, 2014 | Ottawa, Canada
The theme of the Eighteenth Annual Conference of the International Research Society for Public Management (IRSPM) is Intersections: Governance, Democracy, Accountability. Theresa Pardo will be co-chair of the panel session on The Role of e-Government in Administrative Reform: Towards New Forms of Governance, Democracy, and Accountability? This panel intends to explore the important issues around the role and actual outcomes of e-Government in administrative reform initiatives, and the implications for public management. Theresa's co-chairs are: Miriam Lips, School of Government, Victoria University of Wellington; David Spacek, Faculty of Economics and Administration, Masaryk University; Tino Schuppan, The Institute for eGovernment; and Carlos Nunes Silva, Institute of Geography & Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon. More>>

Pardo to Present at Symposium on Technological Innovation in Government
April 5, 2014 | Boston, MA
The Massachusetts Chapter of the American Society of Public Administration is holding a Symposium on Technological Innovation in Government: Toward Open and Smart Government Symposium. Theresa Pardo is an invited featured speaker, joining other leaders in the emerging fields of technology as they share their proven strategies, policies, and examples of technological innovation in government. The symposium provides an opportunity for practitioners, students and academics to mingle and exchange ideas throughout the day regarding innovative uses of IT in government. More>>
Closs to present ethical social media use paper at 2014 NYS National Association of Social Workers (NASW) “Power of Social Work” conference
March 21, 2014 | Albany, NY
The New York State National Association of Social Workers (NASW) will hold its annual “Power of Social Work” conference on Friday, March 21, 2014 in Albany, NY. This year’s conference theme is “Celebrating the Strength, Unity, and Identity of the Social Work Profession”. Using social media research and observations from CTG’s National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) project, Project Coordinator Hillary Closs will present the paper “Risky Business: Applying Ethical Standards to Social Media Use with Vulnerable Populations”, co-authored with NYTD Project Director Natalie Helbig. The paper explores how the NASW Code of Ethics were applied to best practices of obtain consent, upholding confidentiality, and avoiding disclosure concerns when using social media with vulnerable populations. The authors evaluated best practices among seven NYTD states’ use of social media with current and former youth in foster care. More>>

Helbig to present paper at 75th American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) Conference
March 14-18, 2014 | Washington, DC
ASPA will celebrate its 75th Anniversary this year. ASPA is the largest professional association for public administration and is dedicated to advancing the art, science, teaching and practice of public and non-profit administration. Natalie Helbig will present the CTG paper, “Dynamics of Opening Government Data” on a panel entitled, “Opening Government and Smartening Cities: Institutional Design Considerations Drawn from Current Practice and Emerging Opportunities.” Other papers on the panel will examine institutional design features of federal open government platforms (co-authors Chris Koliba and Asim Zia from the University of Vermont), management of participatory challenge platforms (co-authors Tanya Kelley and Erik Johnston, Arizona State University), and smart urban governance (author Yu-Che Chen, Northern Illinois University). More>>

Pardo Presenting on Smart Cities at 75th American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) Conference
March 14-18, 2014 | Washington, DC
ASPA will celebrate its 75th Anniversary this year. ASPA is the largest professional association for public administration and is dedicated to advancing the art, science, teaching and practice of public and non-profit administration. Theresa Pardo will be a presenter on the panel The Secret to Smarter Cities: Enabling Technology Innovation through Organizational Innovation, along with Sherri R. Greenberg, Professor, University of Texas At Austin-LBJ School of Public Affairs, and Ines Mergel, Assistant Professor, Syracuse University. More>>

Cook to Participate in Roundtable on Open Data and Transportation
March 3, 2014 | New York City, NY
The U.S. Department of Transportation and Governance Lab at NYU is holding a civic innovation roundtable with U.S. Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx. Meghan Cook, an invited expert, will take part in the discussion of how open data and technology are spurring innovation and addressing transportation challenges.

Cook and Helbig Leading Nigeria’s Open Data Stakeholder Engagement Forum and Workshop
January 29-30, 2014 | Abuja, Nigeria
The Nigerian Ministry ICT in collaboration with The World Bank and the Open Government Alliance, of which CTG is a lead partner, is conducting an Open Data Stakeholder Engagement Workshop to bring together government, civil society, and industry leaders to plan the Federal Government’s Open Data Strategy. Cook and Helbig will present current open data research as well as facilitate sessions throughout the two-day event. The primary focus of the event is to stimulate learning and engagement in order to set forth recommendations of actionable steps to implement open data by leveraging technology. The objective of the open data strategy is to drive economic growth, investment, and innovation through greater access to government data.

Dawes Participating in eGovPoliNet Meetings
January 27-29, 2014 | London, UK
eGovPoliNet is a global multidisciplinary digital governance and policy modelling research and practice community for sharing and advancing research and insights from practical cases around the world. CTG is the only US member of this international consortium. Sharon Dawes will be participating in both the eGovPoliNet project and scientific advisory board meetings in London. More>>

Pardo and Gil-Garcia to Participate at HICSS-47
January 6-9, 2014 | Big Island, HI
The Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS) is one of the longest-standing continuously running scientific conferences. At HICSS47, Theresa Pardo is serving as mini-track co-chair of Emerging Topics in the Electronic Government Track, which takes a look at new topics and trends that are emerging in e-Government. J. Ramon Gil-Garcia is mini-track co-chair of Transformational Government, which examines the complexity of effectively managing e-Government and its transformational potential. More>>

CTG Participates at NY Innovates
December 18-20, 2013 | Albany, NY
NY Innovates is a unique four-day event featuring a developer conference and health data code-a-thon that will explore the creative use of technology and data to solve the challenges of tomorrow. Meghan Cook, Natalie Helbig, and Theresa Pardo are participating as speakers in various sessions throughout the event. NY Innovates is a collaborative effort of the New York State Office of Information Technology Services and the New York State Department of Health. More>>

CTG Co-Sponsor of Workshop on Open Health Data Opportunities for Researchers
November 22, 2013 | Albany, NY
SUNY's Rockefeller Institute of Government (RIG) and CTG are hosting a one-day workshop, Open Health Data, Open Opportunities. The workshop will focus on how open health data can become a viable new resource for researchers by introducing New York’s open health data assets, providing ideas for using open data in the classroom, and seeding opportunities for researchers to network with each other and practitioners. Natalie Helbig is co-chair along with Erika Martin, director of Health Policy Studies at RIG and an assistant professor in the Department of Public Administration & Policy at the University at Albany. The workshop is supported by a grant from the New York State Health Foundation (NYSHealth) to RIG to identify, organize, and promote applied health policy research in New York State - and particularly within SUNY campuses. Theresa Pardo and Meghan Cook serve on the Advisory Committee. More>>
**Dawes to Speak at European Union eGovernment Conference**  
November 14-15, 2013 | Vilnius, Lithuania  
The eGovernment Conference aims to evaluate current e-Government policy, governance, management and implementation standards, and to discuss the roadmap for the development of a sustainable European e-Government framework, enabling the global competitiveness of the European Union, within the new financial framework for 2014-2020. Sharon Dawes will be speaking in two sessions: transforming public administration and open data. Former CTG senior fellow, Anthony Cresswell (now retired), will be speaking in the session on eGovernment measurement. More>>

**Pardo to Participate in World Bank Seminar for E-Government Leaders of the Russian Federation**  
November 13, 2013 | Washington, DC  
As part of a U.S. study visit program by E-Government Leaders of the Russian Federation, The World Bank is holding a series of seminars with global ICT experts. Theresa Pardo is participating in two seminars: 1) Open Data in the U.S. and Worldwide with Andrew Stott, former Director of data.gov.uk, and Jeanne Holm, Evangelist for data.gov and 2) E-Government Leadership: the Evolving Role of CIOs with Jean-Pierre Auffret of George Mason University.

**CTG Co-Host of Forum on Detecting and Preventing Fraud, Waste and Abuse**  
November 6, 2013 | Albany, NY  
SUNY's Rockefeller Institute of Government (RIG) and CTG are co-hosting a forum entitled, Detecting and Preventing Fraud, Waste and Abuse: A Statewide and National Perspective. Theresa Pardo will join other experts in addressing how governments are revisiting the way they address fraud, waste and abuse and are implementing new technologies to tackle the issue from an enterprise perspective. To RSVP, call (518) 443-5258 or e-mail michele.charbonneau@rockinst.suny.edu. The deadline for registration is October 29th. More>>

**Cook to Participate at 2013 Critical Issues in Higher Education Conference**  
October 29-30, 2013 | New York City, NY  
Big data is transforming our world. The 2013 Critical Issues in Higher Education Conference will examine how this movement could help build smarter universities - improving the student learning experience, enhancing the research enterprise, supporting effective community outreach, insulating the education pipeline and advancing the university infrastructure. While much of the cutting edge work being done with big data is happening at colleges and universities, higher education has yet to turn the digital mirror on itself. The conference is sponsored by the State University of New York. More>>

**Pardo and Helbig to present at Fudan University’s International E-Governance Symposium**  
October 27-28, 2013 | Shanghai, China  
Bringing together academics, government officials, and industry representatives, this two-day symposium will explore the future of e-governance by discussing emerging trends in the areas of big data, open data, smart governing, data analytics, electronic services, participation and social media. Pardo will give a presentation entitled City Governments and Big Data: Creating a New Urban Experience and Helbig will give a talk about the impact of data sources and
computational tools and techniques for policy analysis and planning. More>>

**Pardo, Dawes, Gil-Garcia and Helbig to Participate at ICEGOV2013**

October 22-25, 2013 | Seoul, Republic of Korea

Theresa Pardo, Sharon Dawes, Ramon Gil-Garcia, and Natalie Helbig will be participating at the 7th International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance (ICEGOV2013). The main goal of ICEGOV2013 is to bring EGOV to the mainstream of the ongoing discussion on what will replace the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) to guide the UN development agenda post-2015. In addition to participating at the conference, Dawes is a member of the Advisory Committee, and along with Pardo, Gil-Gracia, Helbig, are members of the Program Committee. More>>

**Helbig to Speak at Arizona State University Colloquium Series**

October 4, 2013 | Phoenix, AZ

Natalie Helbig will give a talk at the Arizona State University, School of Public Affairs Colloquium Series. The talk entitled, The Role of Performance Information Artifacts for Meaningful Use: The Case of Child-Stat, explores the use of different visualizations for enabling or constraining knowledge sharing between executives and front-line employees. Often during performance-related discussions, neither executives nor front-line employees have a shared picture of performance, or even a shared understanding of the problems that the performance information is collected for. Getting to a common understanding requires addressing the many issues associated with knowledge sharing, collaboration, and communication problems among different groups as they engage in performance dialogues exposing tacit assumptions and reconciling differences in practices, culture, and worldviews. More>>

**Canestraro to Speak at ICMA Annual Conference**

September 22-25, 2013 | Boston, MA

Donna Canestraro will speak at a session on Mostly Cloudy: A Technology Forecast for Cities at ICMA's 99th Annual Conference. The session is designed to give managers an overview of emerging technology trends and explain how local governments might take advantage of it. Among the topics to be covered are cloud computing, mobility, social media, data, self-service, and crowdsourcing. The ICMA Annual Conference is the largest annual event in the world for local government managers and staff. More>>

**Werthmuller Participating on Mobile Panel at GTC EAST**

September 19-20, 2013 | Albany, NY

Derek Werthmuller will be on the All Things Mobile panel at GTC EAST, to discuss mobile strategy development using organization capability. The panel in general will focus on methods by which citizens interact with government and government interacts with citizens are rapidly evolving. Mobility is the operative word and we are now in an A4 world - Any information, Anywhere, Anytime, Any Device. Government needs to adapt quickly, assimilate and embrace this changing, dynamic world to serve its constituents. This session will define mobility and its challenges, and outline why it is so important to the future of government. More>>

**Closs to Present NYTD to Preparing Youth for Adulthood (PYA) Coordinators**

September 19, 2013 | New York, NY

The New York City (NYC) Administration for Children’s Services (ACS) created Preparing Youth for Adulthood (PYA), a program designed to help New York City foster care youth over
the age of 12 prepare for living on their own. PYA coordinators lead independent living workshops for youth at every voluntary foster care agency in New York City, and starting this fall, will begin to incorporate the National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) message when reaching out to youth. Closs will discuss how both programs can partner together to prepare youth for independence once they leave foster care. More>>

Dawes and Gil-Garcia to Participate at IFIP EGov 2013
September 16-19, 2013 | Koblenz, Germany
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Cook to Speak at Workshop on Open Data Toolkits and Assessment Tools at OKCon 2013
September 16-18, 2013 | Geneva, Switzerland
The Open Knowledge Foundation is hosting the 2013 Open Knowledge Conference (OKCon), the world’s leading open data and open knowledge conference. The theme for OKCon 2013 is OPEN DATA – Broad, Deep Connected. Meghan Cook is helping to coordinate the Workshop on Open Data Toolkits and Assessment Tools, in which she is also speaker. CTG is one of several institutions providing technical assistance to developing countries’ open data initiatives. The workshop will present some technical assistance tools and the emerging lessons from implementation, and discuss options for their improvement. More>>

Pardo to Participate at Data Transparency 2013
September 10, 2013 | Washington, DC
Data Transparency 2013, hosted by the Data Transparency Coalition, will be the nation's first federal open data policy conference. For the first time, the leading advocates of these policies - from the executive branch, the legislative branch, the nonprofit sector, the tech industry, and the financial industry - will gather to compare the history and chart the future of open data. In cross-cutting breakout sessions, public and private sector stakeholders will collaborate on specific policy steps to open up change-resistant areas of the federal government's data portfolio. Theresa Pardo will host the Breakout Sessions, Building an Open Data Agenda; and along with Hudson Hollistor, director, Data Transparency Coalition, lead the Breakout Recap and Closing session. More>>

Closs to Facilitate NYTD Workshop for Foster Youth at Statewide Leadership Retreat
July 24, 2013 | Hamilton, NY
The 2013 Youth in Progress (YIP) Leadership Retreat invites foster youth from across the state to participate in a two-day conference to discuss their experiences while in care. The retreat features presentations, workshops, and forums on services available for youth as they transition to independent living. CTG’s NYTD Project Coordinator Hillary Closs will conduct a
workshop on the National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD), a federal data collection effort to assess services used by foster youth. Raven Profit, YIP Youth Ambassador and intern at the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) will co-facilitate. The workshop will include a facilitated discussion about sharing NYTD information, the importance of the initiative in the lives of foster youth, and how youth can get involved. More>>

Dawes to participate in the Expert Group Meeting as Part of Post-2015 UN Development Agenda
July 3-5, 2013 | Geneva, Switzerland
Sharon Dawes has been invited to participate in the Expert Group Meeting (EGM) on Governance, Public Administration and Information & Communication Technologies for Post-2015 Development Objectives in Geneva July 3-5. The meeting is organized by UNDESA and the Center for Electronic Governance at United Nations University International Institute for Software Technology. It is part of a world-wide effort to develop a set of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) built upon the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The group will make recommendations about ways governance and public administration, supported by information and communication technology, can contribute to a post 2015 sustainable development agenda. More>>

Pardo to Speak at SAP Public Sector Innovation Forum
June 20, 2013 | Ottawa, ONCanada
Theresa Pardo will be give a presentation on Leveraging Technology Innovation in Government at the SAP Public Sector Innovation Forum. The audience will be comprised of senior government officials at the federal level, as well as local municipal government officials. The theme of the event is helping public sector departments capitalize on the business technology around them.

CTG to Help Organize dg.o 2013 Conference
June 17-20, 2013 | Quebec City, QuebecCanada
The 14th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research (dg.o 2013) will focus on the theme, From e-Government to Smart Government. Natalie Helbig and Theresa Pardo are Track Chairs, Teresa Harrison and Jana Hrdinova are Panel Chairs, and Sharon Dawes and J. Ramon Garcia are co-chairs of the Doctoral Colloquium. Natalie, Theresa, Teresa, Sharon, and Ramon are also on the Program Committee. The dg.o meetings are an established forum for the presentation, discussion, and demonstration of interdisciplinary digital government research, technology innovation, applications, and practice. This year's conference is hosted by the Faculty of Business Administration at Laval University. Paper submissions are due February 1, 2013. More>>

Cook as Track Chair at 2013 Major Cities of Europe Annual Conference
June 3-5, 2013 | Ljubljana, Slovenia
The 2013 Major Cities of Europe Annual Conference will focus on "ICT:Fostering Cities' Prosperity." The annual conference brings together local government managers and CIOs with leading experts in the ICT field to identify innovative solutions for the most pressing challenges cities face today. Meghan Cook will be a Track Chair both facilitating and speaking in the session, DATA: Leveraging a City's Goldmine. The session will feature presentations and a roundtable from cities and public service ICT companies focused on maximizing a goldmine of data to promote new services, participation, economic development, societal changes. More>>
Dawes to Present Paper on Collaboration at APPAM International Conference
May 26-27, 2013 | Shanghai, China
Held annually, the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management's international research conferences attract the best researchers from around the world and covers topical issues in the public policy community. The Fudan University School of International Relations and Public Affairs (SIRPA), the University of Maryland School of Public Policy (UMD), and the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) are hosting this year's conference, entitled Collaboration Among Government, Market, and Society: Forging Partnerships and Encouraging Competition. Sharon Dawes will present the paper, Collaboration across Nations: Context and Dynamics, coauthored by Brian Burke and Lei Zheng (Fudan University). The paper focuses on the interactions among the participants during the six-year engagement that culminated in the implementation of AIRNow-I Shanghai, with particular attention to the ways in which their work was influenced by the need to deal with important contextual distances associated with culture, language, organizational factors, data, knowledge, and technology. More>>

Pardo Presenting Final Recommendations at Nigeria Open Data Forum
May 9, 2013 | Abuja, Nigeria
As part of a six month project to assist the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) in their pursuit of a more open government and vibrant economy, Theresa Pardo will be presenting project results and recommendations to senior level ministers, ICT staff, civil society representatives, and industry leaders. With funding from The World Bank and the Korean Partnership Trust, CTG, as lead partner in the Open Government Alliance, is assisting the FGN to be more transparent, empower citizens, fight corruption, and harness new technologies to strengthen governance as a way to move towards a more open government. As part of this work, Theresa Pardo and Meghan Cook, program manager at CTG, travelled to Abuja, Nigeria to conduct a series of working meetings and workshops in late 2012 and early 2013.

Canestraro and Sutherland to Speak at NYSLGITDA Spring Conference
April 23, 2013 | Saratoga, NY
Donna Canestraro and Megan Sutherland will be speaking at the NY State Local Government IT Directors Association's (NYSLGITDA) spring conference. They will be highlighting CTG's broadband work with New York State and giving updates on the launch of the redesigned broadband speedtest website and ongoing efforts to collect broadband information from New York's community anchor institutions (CAI). CTG has been reaching out to the county IT directors for assistance in collecting the CAI data. NYSLGITDA is dedicated to the coordination and improvement of information technology in all types of governments in New York State. More>>

Pardo to Participate in Technology for Engagement Summit
April 18-19, 2013 | New York City, NY
The Governance Lab @ NYU is organizing a new kind of event that will bring together activists and researchers, industry designers and technologists, as well as academic, government, civil society and business leaders to design concrete methods through which institutions can reinvent themselves and citizens can organize themselves and engage response. Theresa Pardo has been invited to collaborate as part of this group of leaders who are willing to implement ground-breaking interventions and interested in engaging citizens in the process of governance. This event, Building a Research and Design Infrastructure: A Technology for
Engagement Summit is supported by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. More on GovLab>>

**Cook to Moderate Panel on Transparency at NYS IT Leadership Academy**
April 17-18, 2013 | Albany, NY
The IT Leadership Academy is a Government Technology event designed by and for government senior technology executives, and senior managers being groomed for leadership. The two day program features state leaders, well-known experts in leadership and technology, and topics of current interest. The Academy provides New York state and local government technology leaders a chance to sharpen their business skills and network with each other and industry leaders. At the 2013 Academy, Meghan Cook will moderate a panel session on Building Transparency through Citizen Engagement, Social Media, and Open Data. This session will leverage knowledge and expertise from public, private, nonprofit, and education institutions already engaged in open government initiatives and open your eyes, as an IT Leader, to what is possible. Showcasing a collection of expertise and real examples (including Super Storm Sandy and New York State’s Open Data initiatives), experts will detail efforts in opening government, opening government data, engaging citizens, and leveraging social media - all with the goal of increasing transparency. More>>

**CTG to Help Coordinate Policy Informatics Session at IRSPM2013**
April 10-12, 2013 | Prague, Czech Republic
CTG and collaborators will coordinate a panel of papers that focuses on the emerging role of policy informatics in supporting public policy and governance at the International Research Society for Public Management (IRSPM) annual conference. Hosted in Prague, Czech Republic, the 2013 conference is expected to bring together academics and practitioners from different world regions addressing issues related to the topic of the conference. More>>

**Pardo to Speak at Bahrain International eGovernment Forum**
April 9-11, 2013 | Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain
The Forum brings together the brightest minds and the latest solutions in the eGovernment arena with a focus on the private sector. Prominent international speakers will share their visions, experiences and future forecasts regarding e-Government technologies and innovations from across the world. More>>

**Hrdinova to Guest Lecture at UAlbany Graduate Class Focused on Urban Planning in Developing Countries**
April 9, 2013 | Albany, NY
Jana Hrdinova will be a guest lecturer for the class, Planning for Jobs, Housing & Community Services in Third World Cities, taught by Corianne P. Scally, Ph.D. Assistant Professor and Co-Director of UAlbany’s Master’s in Urban and Regional Planning Program. Jana’s lecture will focus on the issues surrounding government use of technology in developing countries. The Master's program provides education for professional planning practice, to research and publish on planning-related issues, and to apply planning methods to improve the quality of life in communities and regions. More>>

**Canestraro to Speak at Sabadell Smart Congress**
April 8-9, 2013 | Barcelona, Spain
The Sabadell Smart Congress is a unique meeting point for advanced thinking over the smart cities of the future. Recognized speakers from national and international spheres will give their
views on the city in all its dimensions: economy, energy, environment, social welfare, technology and governance. Presentations, roundtables and exhibits will show and directly apply technologically based R&D from multinationals and small creative entrepreneurs. Donna Canestraro will participate at the session SMART SAFETY: Innovating in health care services to improve citizens quality of life. More>

**Hrdinova and Sayogo Present on iChoose at RPI as part of Ontology Summit 2013**
April 3, 2013 | Troy, NY
Jana Hrdinová and Djoko Sigit Sayogo (PhD student at Rockefeller College & graduate assistant at CTG), jointly presented with team members from CCI/UAlbany and Tetherless World Constellation/RPI: Semantic Web Development Methodology in Practice: The iChoose Ontology as a Use Case at RPI as part of Ontology Summit 2013. In addition, they are holding a Ontology Summit Hackathon Clinic at RPI this Saturday also based on the iChoose project. More>

**Dawes to Participate at tGov Workshop 2013**
March 22-23, 2013 | London, UK
The tGov (Transforming Government) Workshop 2013 is organized by the Information Systems Evaluation and Integration Group (ISEing) to provide a common platform for academics and practitioners to discuss and present original research highlighting issues related with technical, organisational, managerial and socioeconomic aspects of both (e) and (t)-Government implementation and adoption. Sharon Dawes is participating in the workshop as a member of the eGovPoliNet Consortium, which is collaborating with tGov 2013 in organizing a set of presentation and panel discussions to bring together researchers and practitioners to present their approaches on ICT for governance and policy modelling. More>

**Hrdinova to Speak about Social Media at Regional Technology & Social Networking Forum**
March 16-18, 2013 | Badaa, Kuwait
The objective of the 1st Regional Technology and Social Networking Forum is to bring together leading scholars, authorities, practitioners and experts to discuss emerging trends and future opportunities of technology and social networking, and its economic impact on the region. Jana Hrdinova will be speaking on social media policies and guidelines for governments. More>

**Pardo to Speak at John Jay College of Criminal Justice**
March 12, 2013 | New York, NY
Theresa Pardo will give a talk on Information Sharing, Emergency Response and Homeland Security: Lessons from the Field at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. The talk will be a snapshot of the field and a primer focusing on the challenges of emergency response to large scale events such as Hurricane Sandy, which increasingly fall into the realm of data sharing, communications, and computing. The recent recognition of “Big Data” -- the massive quantities of electronic information stored from myriad sources across our society -- and their productive use via analytics to improve the timeliness and quality of applied decisions, will be discussed. More>

**Dawes to Speak at MENA ICT Forum 2013**
March 6-7, 2013 | Dead Sea, Jordan
The main theme of the MENA ICT Forum™ 2013 is Arab ICT Spring: Realizing Potential. The Forum features a content-rich agenda that covers vital current and future issues related to
regional investment climates, legislative supportive systems, infrastructure & communications, emerging technologies, as well as education and human capital development. In particular, the Forum addresses these issues in a context that is highly relevant to the MENA (Middle East and North Africa) region, thus providing the business community, decision makers and stakeholders with a holistic overview of the region's current position, opportunities on hand and recommended approach for leveraging its potential. Sharon Dawes will be on a panel discussing ICTs in government. More>>

**Pardo and Cook to Participate at The World Bank ICT Solutions Day 2013**
February 28, 2013 | Washington, DC
The ICT Solutions Day is a day-long session where client countries and internal and external experts will come together to get hands-on experience on developing Smart Solutions using information and communications technologies (ICT) to tackle development challenges. This event will be centered around leveraging the best global thinking to explore the power of collective intelligence and the latest technology enablers to co-create smart solutions across the sectors. Theresa Pardo and Meghan Cook will participate as expert discussants to engage participating countries in design thinking – a client-driven, open, collaborative process of building up meaningful ICT-enabled solutions that will address the challenges in a new way. More>>

**Dawes to Participate on Panel at Transatlantic Research on Policy Modeling Workshop**
January 28-29, 2013 | Washington, DC
The Transatlantic Research on Policy Modeling Workshop aims to collect and share knowledge on sectorial and integrated modeling frameworks, as well as on best practice applications, for policy formulation and evaluation through the application of modeling techniques in the form of innovative ICT tools. Sharon Dawes will be on the panel Bridging science, policy and technology: challenges and opportunities. The workshop is being organized by the Millennium Institute as part of the FP7 EU co-funded CrossoVeer Project to provide a common discussion ground for modelers, policy analysts and decision makers on the current state of modeling efforts and to inform decision-making on available tools and on critical policy decisions, ultimately also contributing strongly to the CROSsVeer Roadmap on Policy Modeling 2.0. More>>

**Pardo and Dawes to Participate at HICSS-46**
January 7-10, 2013 | Wailea, Maui, HI
The Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS) is one of the longest-standing continuously running scientific conferences. At HICSS46, Theresa Pardo is serving as mini-track co-chair of Emerging Topics in the Electronic Government Track, which takes a look at new topics and trends that are emerging in e-Government. Sharon Dawes is one of the leaders of the full day symposium session on Four Years of Open Government: An Appraisal. More>>

**Cook to Participate at International Conference on Open Government in Russia**
December 12-13, 2012 | Moscow, Russia
Meghan Cook is joining other leading international experts to help the Russia government develop an open government strategy. In April of 2012, Russia announced its intention to join the Open Government Partnership (OGP), an international organization aimed at increasing the transparency and accountability of countries. In order to become an OGP member country, Russia must submit a National Action Plan that elaborates concrete commitments on open government. As part of this process, Russia is holding a conference with Russian and
international experts and representatives of government, business, and civil society. During the two day event, Meghan will be leading two workshops and taking part in brainstorming sessions. The event is organized by the federal minister on Open Government, Moscow city government and Government expert council, with the support of the World Bank, Russian State Academy of Civil Services, and SAP. More>>

Dawes to Participate at eGovPoliNet Advisory Board Meeting
December 12-14, 2012 | Koblenz, Germany
Sharon Dawes will be participating in a meeting of the consortium and scientific advisory board for the eGovPoliNet project in Koblenz, Germany. The eGovPoliNet/Crossover Consortium, sponsored by the European Commission FP7 research program, represents an expanding international network of research institutions investigating these globally important challenges. As a consortium member, under a grant from the NSF, CTG is conducting a literature review on research in the US focusing on the use of ICTs for policy modeling, governance, and related topics such as evidence-based policy making and policy informatics. This work has the potential to identify universal factors and to understand how the same challenges play out differently in different cultural and political settings. More>>

Pardo to Participate in Discussion on What it Means to be a “Best Run City”
December 4, 2012 | New York, NY
To be one of the most competitive cities in the world is a complex and constant challenge. It’s not enough for cities to be “smart;” cities must act on that intelligence to truly improve the lives of their citizens. Thought leaders from SAP, the Center for Technology in Government, and The Brookings Institution will discuss what it means to be a “best run city.” The panel will also feature representatives from progressive cities in North America who will answer questions about the pioneering approaches they are taking to spark innovation in policy-making, sustainability, government finance, and citizen interaction. This event is only for media and analysts; RSVP is required, please contact Evan Welsh at evan.welsh@sap.com. More>>

Dawes to attend UNU-IIST Board Meeting and 20th Anniversary Celebration
November 29-30, 2012 | Macau, China
This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations University - International Institute for Software Technology (UNU-IIST). In celebration of its anniversary, the institute has held activities throughout the year, which will culminate in a Gala Dinner on 30 November 2012. The dinner is expected to be attended by close to one hundred guests, including the UNU Rector; UNU-IIST Board Members; current staff, fellows, and students; former UNU-IIST Directors, institute staff and members of UNU governing bodies; and representatives and collaborators from the higher education sector and government agencies. As chair of the UNU-IIST board, Sharon is also participating in the annual board meeting. More>>

Capitol Camp 2012: Third annual “Unconference” and “Hackathon”
November 15-16, 2012 | Albany, NY
The New York State Office of Information Technology Services and the New York State Senate, in collaboration with CTG, are pleased to announce Capitol Camp 2012, November 15-16, in Albany. The third annual “Unconference” and “Hackathon” brings together government technology stakeholders together from the public and private sectors to discuss how technology can foster a more transparent, efficient, and participatory government for all New York State citizens. Capitol Camp 2012 spans two days and includes a Hackathon targeted toward computer programmers on Thursday, November 15th; and an Unconference
targeting a wider audience of both technical and non-technical participants on Friday, November 16th. Register for FREE>>

**Pardo to Speak at Smart Cities Expo World Congress**

November 13-15, 2012 | Barcelona, Spain

Barcelona, an innovative city and a pioneer in implementing sustainable policies, is the host of the Smart City Expo World Congress, a global benchmark and a unique event at which to learn, share, make contacts and find inspiration for developing the cities of the future. Theresa Pardo will be speaking on a panel about Smart and Open Government, which will address the question: How can governments be accessed by the citizen to gain a higher involvement and greater transparency? More>>

**Cook to Lead Open Government Planning Workshop in Nigeria**

November 12-16, 2012 | Abuja, Nigeria

CTG is leading the development of a set of products for the Nigeria's Open Government efforts. As the leader of the Open Government Alliance, a group of organizations dedicated to helping governments throughout the world, CTG is drafting Nigeria's Open Government Plan for their entry into the international Open Government Partnership. Also, as part of this work, CTG is conducting a quick open government readiness assessment with recommendations for capability development. More>>

**Pardo to Participate in Planning Meeting on Developing Collaborative Strategies for Tackling the World’s Hardest Problems**

November 9-10, 2012 | London, United Kingdom

Theresa Pardo will participate as part of a multidisciplinary group of thinkers and doers in London for a two-day planning meeting supported by the MacArthur Foundation and hosted by NYU Wagner to develop a strategy for using technology to create more collaborative ways of governing to tackle the world’s hardest problems. The group will talk through their shared understanding of open and peer progressive governance; focus on how the techniques and technologies of open and participatory governance can help us tackle hard, real world problems; and examine these questions from the perspective of specific disciplines – with a focus on the potential of data science. Working groups will develop specific high impact projects that can help us refine our understanding of this new and evolving political theory for the digital age. More>>

**CTG and Collaborators Organize Roundtable at APPAM 2012 to Discuss Policy Informatics**

November 8-10, 2012 | Baltimore, MD

This year’s roundtable, Advancing Policy Informatics at APPAM, will explore how policy relevant information and data have changed over the past few years and what that might imply for how we conduct policy and management research. Interest in policy informatics is motivated by advances in computational tools and information and communication technologies that have allowed us to deal explicitly with complexity, networks, and emergence, often using a systems approach/perspective. Speakers include John Kamensky, Senior Fellow and Associate Partner, IBM Center for the Business of Government; Gregory Bloss, Public Health Analyst/Program Official, National Institute of Health (NIH); Maureen Pirog, Editor, Journal of Public Policy Analysis and Management (JPAM) and Professor at the Indiana University; John C. Bertot, Editor, Government Information Quarterly (GIQ) and Professor at the University of Maryland; and Louise Comfort, Professor, University of Pittsburgh. More>>
CTG and US DOT Present Open Government Public Value Tutorial at ICEGOV
October 25, 2012 | Albany, NY
Meghan Cook and Dan Morgan, associate director at Phase One Consulting Group, on assignment with the Office of the Chief Information Officer at the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), presented a tutorial at ICEGOV using CTG’s Public Value Framework and their Open Government Portfolio Public Value Assessment Tool (PVAT) as the foundation. During the session, participants learned the basic concepts in public value analysis and hear lessons learned from the US Department of Transportation about their experiences in using the PVAT to develop their five year open government plan. More on PVAT>

CTG to Host ICEGOV2012 in Albany, NY
October 22-25, 2012 | Albany, NY
CTG will be host to the 6th International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance (ICEGOV2012). This year’s conference is expected to bring together 300 practitioners, developers and researchers from government, local municipalities, academia, industry and civil society from over 50 countries from all over the world. One of the key themes of ICEGOV 2012 will be organized around the Open Government Partnership (OGP), and the role of openness in improving responsiveness, fostering accountability, creating efficiencies, promoting innovation and growth, fighting corruption, improving performance, and capturing dispersed knowledge in support of smarter policies. Taking place a year after the launch of the OGP, ICEGOV 2012 will be positioned for participants throughout the world to come together to share knowledge, discuss efforts of the OGP participating countries, as well as share challenges and lessons learned. More>

CTG and UNU-IITS Organize Thematic Session on “Bridging the North–South Gap in ICT–enabled Policy Modeling and Governance” at ICEGOV 2012
October 22-25, 2012 | Albany, NY
The goal of this session, organized by the eGovPoliNet/Crossover Consortium, sponsored by the European Commission FP7 research program, along with the Center for Technology in Government (CTG) and UNU-IIST, is to exchange current practices and experiences using ICT solutions for governance and policy modeling between developed and developing countries. In addition, the session explored the opportunities and challenges for developing and engaging a robust community of policy makers, researchers, practitioners working in policy development and e-government domains. More>

CTG Leads Envisioning Workshop with the City of Binghamton
October 15, 2012 | Binghamton, NY
The Envisioning a Smart Binghamton Workshop was organized to bring together the City of Binghamton department heads to identify and discuss the challenges, needs, and goals towards creating a smarter Binghamton. The objective of the workshop was to gather information in order to inform the development of the city’s roadmap. Taking an interactive and interdisciplinary approach, the workshop activities took place in a plenary session facilitated by Meghan Cook and Theresa Pardo. The workshop is part of a larger project CTG is conducting with Binghamton to develop a holistic view of the city’s information management challenges and identify where necessary investments should be made in becoming a smarter city. Meghan and Theresa alos gave a presentation to the City Council that evening.

Cook Participates at Second Meeting on the City Protocol Society
The City Protocol Society (CPS) is a new open, global, and progressive working framework for cities worldwide to assess and improve performance in environmental sustainability, economic competitiveness, quality of life, and city services, by innovating and demonstrating new leadership models, new ways of engaging society, and by leveraging new information and communication technologies (ICT). Meghan attended its first workshop in July, which was held in Barcelona, Spain. At this second workshop, the group worked to define the core elements of the CPS, set an action plan and build confidence for the CPS Launch in November at the Smart Cities Expo World Congress, which was attended by Theresa Pardo. More>>

Dawes Participates at 3rd Russian Conference on Knowledge Engineering and the Semantic Web
October 7-9, 2012 | St. Petersburgh, Russia
Sharon Dawes participated in an international roundtable on Semantic Web and Linked Data for E-Governance and Industry as part of the 3rd Russian Conference on Knowledge Engineering and the Semantic Web in St. Petersburgh, Russia. The roundtable was organized by the National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics (ITMO) and hosted at the St. Petersburgh Higher School of Management. Presentations and discussions addressed the context and progress of open data initiatives in government, news agencies, civil society organizations, and other settings. Dawes also met with the leaders of ITMO's eGovernment Center to discuss ways to implement a recently signed cooperation agreement between CTG and ITMO to share research interests in open data strategies and technologies.

Pardo, Cook, Harrison & Helbig Presenting at 2012 Law via the Internet Conference
October 7-9, 2012 | Ithaca, NY
The 2012 LVI conference will be held in the United States for the first time, hosted by the Cornell Law School. Theresa Pardo, Meghan Cook, Teri Harrison, and Natalie Helbig will be presenting the session, Opening Government: Managing Complexity and Producing Public Value. This panel will focus on the current open government landscape and the role research and practice innovations are playing in managing the complexity of opening government and facilitating the creation of public value. More>>

Cook Participates on Cost-Benefit Analysis and Public Safety Technology Roundtable
October 4, 2012 | New York, NY
Meghan Cook participated in a roundtable discussion funded by the U.S. Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Assistance as part of the Vera Institute of Justice’s national Cost-Benefit Knowledge Bank for Criminal Justice project (CBKB). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the purpose of investing in public safety technologies; describe cost-benefit analysis (CBA); and spell out the challenges in using CBA to assess public safety technology investments. More>>

Cook Participates in High-Level Working Session at UN: "Urban Futures....South Meets North"
October 1, 2012 | New York, NY
Meghan Cook participated in this session organized in cooperation with UN-HABITAT, UN partners, and the private sector in support of the MDGs and implementation of the outcomes from UN World Urban Forum 6. The Session will feature the "2012 International Student Design Competition winning projects and presentation of awards." Participants are invited to contribute expertise and insights to enhance the discussion and development of
recommendations for Habitat III (2016).

**Helbig Presenting Paper at the 5th Annual Public Performance Measurement & Reporting Network**  
September 20-21, 2012 | Trenton, NJ  
The 5th annual Public Performance Measurement & Reporting Network conference is hosted by Rutgers' School of Public Affairs and Administration. This year's conference is focused on the theme: Great Expectations: Getting Results From Performance Budgeting, Measurement and Reporting Systems. Natalie Helbig is presenting a paper entitled, Getting to actionable front-line practice improvements: The critical role of translation. More>>

**Cresswell Presenting Paper at Creating Public Value Conference**  
September 20-22, 2012 | Minneapolis, MN  
Creating Public Value in a Multi-Sector, Shared-Power World is hosted by the Center for Integrative Leadership at the University of Minnesota. The main goal of the conference is to gain a deeper understanding of the foundational building blocks of how public value is created and to identify the characteristic strengths and weaknesses of this approach from a comparative perspective. Anthony Cresswell is presenting a paper entitled, Putting Public Value to Work: A Framework for Public Management Decision Making. More>>

**Pardo to Participate at GAO ECIMT 2012**  
September 10, 2012 | Washington, DC  
Theresa Pardo is a member of the Executive Council for Information and Technology Management of the U.S. Government Accountability Office. The Executive Council is composed of noted IT experts from the public and private sectors and from academia, and serves to advise the U.S. Government Accountability Office on issues related to information management and technology.

**Helbig Participating in Technology and Human Services Symposium**  
September 10, 2012 | Washington, DC  
The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Administration of Children and Families is hosting a Technology and Human Services Symposium to gain a better understanding of the issues and opportunities surrounding the intersection of technology with human services. Experts in and across the fields of human services administration and management, grant making, technology, and research have been invited to explore novel uses of technology and the needs of human services systems to identify where technology can meet these needs and stimulate new thinking about human service-related problems.

**CTG Participating on Panels at GTC East**  
September 5-6, 2012 | Albany, NY  
GTC East is an event for and about state and local government to foster discussion and dialogue on the use of information technology as a strategic tool for managers, executives and policy makers. At this year's conference, CTG will be participating on the following panels: IT Governance (Theresa Pardo); Knowledge Sharing and Cross Boundary Collaboration (Donna Canestraro); and The Transparency of Transparency (Meghan Cook & Natalie Helbig). More>>

**Dawes to Participate in eGovPoliNet Meetings in Norway**  
September 3-6, 2012 | Kristiansand, Norway
As the US member of the international consortium working on ICTs, governance, and policy modeling, GovPoliNet/Crossover, Sharon Dawes participated in scientific advisory board and consortium meetings, as well as a project workshop. These meetings coincide with EGOV 2012: International IFIP Electronic Government Conference. Dawes will organize the EGOV 2012 PhD student colloquium, which provides doctoral students an international forum for presenting their work, networking opportunities and cross-disciplinary inspiration. More>>

CTG Participating in IFIP e-Government Conference 2012
September 3-6, 2012 | Kristiansand, Norway
The IFIP eGovernment Conference 2012 will bring together the top of the scientific research community in e-government and e-governance from all over the world. The conference provides a highly interactive and professional forum for exchanging research concepts, progress and results. As in the past, IFIP EGOV will feature refereed paper presentations, invited keynote presentations, high-level discussion panels, workshops, and a PhD Colloquium. Sharon Dawes is co-chair of the PhD Colloquium, along with Björn Niehaves, European Research Center for Information Systems, Germany, and Jochen Scholl, University of Washington. More>>

Pardo to Give Keynote at Government Innovation Forum 2012
August 23, 2012 | Mexico City, Mexico
Theresa Pardo will give the keynote at the Government Innovation Forum 2012 (GIF) on Opening Government: Managing Complexity and Producing Public Value. Pardo’s keynote will focus on the current open government landscape and the role research and practice innovations are playing in managing the complexity of opening government and facilitating the creation of public value. GIF integrates local and international experts in the public sector and officials from all levels of government to discuss the opportunities in the Mexican technology agenda. The forum will provide an overview of the initiatives that are improving the way governments provide services to the community, and explore the use and benefits of social networks and mobility in collaboration with the community. More>>

Kronen to Participate at NYTD Technical Assistance Meeting
August 7-10, 2011 | Washington, DC
As part of CTG’s role in New York State’s implementation of the National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD), Amanda Kronen, NYTD Project Coordinator at CTG, will be attending the NYTD Technical Assistance Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is for participants to discuss the results of the first round of national data and associated data quality issues, federal plans for continued analysis and dissemination, and preparations for the first follow-up population period. Additionally, there will be opportunities to network with NYTD teams from around the country to better understand the project on a national level. More>>

Helbig to Join Open Government Panel on Internet Radio Show
July 18, 2012 | Virtual, WWW
Join an expert session on Open Government: Modeling the Informational Relationships between Government and Society on the July 18th radio broadcast of Coffee Break with Game Changers. “Coffee Break” is a live, one-hour weekly Internet radio show on Voice America Business, produced in conjunction with SAP Radio. The Open Government panel will be featured live from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET. The radio show will feature four distinguished panelists including: David Nero, Director of Technology for the City of Boston; Jeanne Holm, Data.gov Chief Evangelist and NASA Chief Knowledge Architect; Natalie Helbig, Senior Program Associate, Center for Technology in Government; and Russ LeFevre, Vice President,
Industry Solutions Marketing, SAP. More>>

**Cook Invited to Participate at Workshop on the City Protocol**
July 16-17, 2012 | Barcelona, Spain
The City Protocol is a new open, global, and progressive working framework for cities worldwide to assess and improve performance in environmental sustainability, economic competitiveness, quality of life, and city services, by innovating and demonstrating new leadership models, new ways of engaging society, and by leveraging new information and communication technologies (ICT). At the workshop, representatives of 35 cities from six continents will be joined by colleagues from universities, industry and city organizations to help create the City Protocol Society and define how we understand the future of our cities and to begin to create a real market and a real science of smart cities. More>>

**Pardo to Participate at 2012 International Open Government Data Conference**
July 10-12, 2012 | Washington, DC
Data.gov and the World Bank are sponsoring the second International Open Government Data Conference (IOGDC), which will bring together the world’s foremost experts on open government data around the theme "Putting Data to Work." The conference will gather policymakers, developers, and others with a keen interest in open government data to share lessons learned, stimulate new ideas, and demonstrate the power of democratizing data. From policy to technology, IOGDC promises to be filled with thoughtful, dynamic discussion around the historic opportunity presented by open government data to foster collaboration, transparency, and interactive public participation. More>>

**Dawes to Speak at W3C Workshop on Using Open Data**
June 19-20, 2012 | Brussels, Belgium
The objective of the W3C Using Open Data Workshop is to provide a joint discussion forum for developers of applications that make use of open data, and the end users of those applications such as policy makers, journalists and citizens. This workshop asks a simple question: what is all the 'new' government open data being used for? The primary outcome expected from the workshop is a greater understanding of what can be done with open data on the Web, how it can be used for the benefit of a variety of audiences and what the roadblocks are to greater exploitation of data. Sharon Dawes will present on A Realistic Look at Open Data. More>>

**Cook to Present GSA Webinar on How USDOT Used PVAT for Open Government Planning**
June 12, 2012 | Virtual, WWW
In this webinar (A Public Value Analysis Tool for Open Government Planning), Meghan Cook, program manager at CTG, and Kristen Baldwin, Senior Accountable Official for Open Government, US Department of Transportation will present the basic ideas of public value and how the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) used CTG’s Open Government Portfolio Public Value Assessment Tool (PVAT) to assess their own OG efforts for the purpose of updating the agency’s open government plan. The webinar will be hosted by GSA’s HowTo.gov at 11 am EST. More details to come. Register (free)>>

**Pardo to Speak at Major Cities of Europe (MCE) – Conference 2012**
June 4-6, 2012 | Vienna, Austria
The 2012 MCE Conference will focus on the question of "IT – Driving the City of Tomorrow?" and discuss the topic against the backdrop of innovative information and communication
technologies. Important topics of the conference are: open government, open data, social networks, cloud computing and smart cities. CIOs and IT managers from Austrian and European cities will exchange experiences and discuss lessons learned in interactive workshops. Theresa Pardo will present on Building a Global Framework for Making Cities Smarter, drawing from CTG’s current project, Smart Cities Service Integration. To get a special registration rate for this conference, please contact Meghan Cook. More>>

**CTG to Participate at dg.o 2012**
June 4-7, 2012 | College Park, MD
CTG staff will participate at the 13th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research (dg.o 2012), Bridging Research and Practice. The dg.o meetings are an established forum for the presentation, discussion, and demonstration of interdisciplinary digital government research, technology innovation, applications, and practice. Theresa Pardo, Sharon Dawes, Natalie Helbig, and Teresa Harrision are serving on the 2012 Program Committee. Sharon Dawes will co-chair the Doctoral Colloquium, along with Dr Bjoern Niehaves of the University of Muenster and Dr. Jochen Scholl of the University at Washington. The Doctoral Colloquium is a full-day forum in which Ph.D. students meet and discuss their work with each other and with senior faculty from a variety of disciplines associated with digital government research. More>>

**Pardo to Present on Smart Cities at Public Management Research Conference in Shanghai**
May 25-27, 2012 | Shanghai, China
The School of International Relations and Public Affairs of Fudan University is hosting a Public Management Research Conference, Seeking Excellence in a Time of Change, jointly sponsored by the China-America Association of Public Affairs, the International Research Society for Public Management, and the Public Management Research Association in Shanghai. This conference aims to promote multidisciplinary and comparative research on public organizations and our knowledge about public management and public policy in a globalized world, and to strengthen the communication between western and eastern public management scholars. Theresa Pardo will present a paper on Non-Emergency Service Channels for Service Integration: a Comparative Case Study of Smart Cities, from CTG’s Smart Cities Service Integration project. More>>

**Pardo to Testify at NYS Assembly Hearing on NYS’ IT Infrastructure**
May 22, 2012 | Albany, NY
The New York State Assembly Committee on Governmental Operations, Committee on Oversight, Analysis, and Investigation, and Legislative Commission on Government Administration is holding a hearing on the State’s Information Technology Infrastructure to examine how the State’s agencies and municipalities are currently using advances in information technology and how such advances can be used to create jobs and serve the public more efficiently and more responsibly. Theresa Pardo has been invited to testify on how new advances in information technology may make it possible to achieve significant increases in government efficiency, fiscal responsibility, and openness while providing better services and reducing regulatory burdens. More>>

**CTG Co-Sponsors Internet Week NY Event on Smart Cities**
May 18, 2012 | New York, NY
As part of Internet Week New York, a week-long festival celebrating NYC’s thriving internet industry and community, CTG in partnership with Sobel Media and the SUNY Global Center is
hosting. Meghan Cook will moderate a panel that will draw from the experiences of government leaders in charge of implementing 311 in New York City and Philadelphia, and from those in the private sector working on public-private partnerships that are key to advancing smart city innovations. Theresa Pardo will participate on the panel to contribute insights from CTG’s project Smart Cities Service Integration, which has involved extensive interviews with those involved in 311 operations in New York City and Philadelphia. The event will take place at SUNY Global Center at 116 East 55th Street starting at 8 am. More & RSVP>>

Dawes and Helbig to Participate in eGovPoliNet Meetings in UK
May 7-9, 2012 | London, UK
CTG is the US member of an international consortium working on ICTs, governance, and policy modeling, eGovPoliNet, which is a project funded by the European Commission under the 7th Framework Programme. Sharon Dawes and Natalie Helbig will participate in scientific advisory board and consortium meetings, as well as a project workshop. These meetings also coincide with tGovernment Workshop 2012 (tGov2012), which is being hosted by the Business School at Brunel University. More>>

Joel Gurin from Federal Communications Commission Visits CTG
May 4, 2012 | Albany, NY
Joel Gurin, Senior Consumer Advisor at Federal Communications Commission, will be spending the day at CTG to explore issues related to Smart Disclosure and Big Data with CTG staff and University at Albany faculty. Joel is currently the Full-time Chair of Task Force on Smart Disclosure, interagency group chartered by National Science and Technology Council to study best practices for database-driven consumer information. More>>

Pardo to Speak at Smart Cities Colloquim at Université Laval
April 25, 2012 | Québec, Québec
The Institute for Information Technologies and Societies (IITS) at Université Laval is hosting a day-long colloquium on Smart Cities, Sustainable Cities, the first event of its kind in Quebec. Theresa Pardo will be one of fifteen speakers from academia and the business community, from Quebec, France, the United States and Mexico to explore the concepts of smart cities. CTG is currently working on a Smart Cities Service Integration project, which includes a case study of Québec and several other cities in the U.S., Mexico, and China. More>>

Pardo to Keynote at ABA Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice’s Spring Conference
April 20, 2012 | Princeton, NJ
The American Bar Association’s Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice’s 2012 Spring Conference is focused on The Administrative Agency in the Electronic Age. The conference is co-sponsored by the Program in Law and Public Affairs and Center for Information Technology Policy at Princeton University. Sessions will include panels on: Effective Public Engagement in eRulemaking and Beyond; Maximizing the Value of Agency Websites; and, Ubiquitous Monitoring, Information Flows and Privacy. More>>

Pardo to Participate at White House/National Archives Summit on Smart Disclosure
March 30, 2012 | Washington, DC
The White House and the National Archives and Records Administration is hosting a Summit on Smart Disclosure. This Summit is the first government-wide event to discuss current work
and best practices, bringing together key stakeholders representing philanthropy, academia, consumer groups, and the nonprofit sector. The National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) Task Force on Smart Disclosure has been working to promote better disclosure policies and aid in the timely release of complex information in standardized, machine-readable formats that enable consumers to make informed decisions in numerous domains. More>>

**Pardo Invited to Participate at OECD High-level Meeting on E-government**

**March 26-27, 2012 | Mexico City, Mexico**

Theresa Pardo has been invited to participate at the OECD High-level Meeting on E-government: New ICT Solutions for Public Sector Agility, hosted by the Mexican Public Administration Ministry. Pardo will moderate the opening session on Leveraging ICTs for advancing public policy objectives, which will focus on the challenges faced by e-leaders and explore options for national approaches and strategies embracing the use of new technologies. Since 2003, OECD has held a series of e-leaders meetings and seminars to provide the most senior government officials responsible for e-government in OECD member countries a forum for political and strategic exchange of opinions among peers on questions of common interest. More about OECD>>

**Pardo and Cook to Present at NYS Forum Corporate Roundtable**

**March 23, 2012 | Albany, NY**

The Forum's IT Corporate Roundtable provides a productive context for IT corporations and Forum membership to pursue proactive communications and initiatives targeted on improved mutual understandings and communications and, ultimately, more efficient state procedures, products and services better aligned with New York State needs. Theresa Pardo and Meghan Cook are presenting at their Roundtable Workgroup Meeting to give background on CTG, showcase a couple of our projects (that started as theory/prototypes and are now in operation) and suggest ideas of ways the corporate community can be part of CTG's network. More >>

**Pardo to Participate in Panel Discussion at ESOPI-21 Symposium**

**March 16, 2012 | Chapel Hill, NC**

The School of Information and Library Science (SILS) and School of Government (SOG) at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (UNC-CH) is holding a day-long symposium called Government Bits: Stewardship of Public Information in a Changing Digital Landscape. Themes of the day will include challenges in the stewardship of electronic records; current solutions for digital records environments; moving from a paper-based environment to a digital environment; information stewardship strategies for public administrators; and building information systems for information stewardship. The panel discussions and other interactive sessions will relate to lessons and strategies for professionals to engage in public information stewardship. More>>

**Hrdinova to Conduct Social Media Training for Moldova**

**March 14-15, 2012 | Chisinau, Moldova**

Jana Hrdinova will be delivering a two-day training course for government professionals from Moldova on managing social media use in a government context. The training is financed by the U.S. Department of State. After the training, Jana will spend an additional two days at the e-Governance Center of Moldova working with them on social media guidelines. More>>

**Pardo to Participate at Moldova Open Government Day**

**March 12, 2012 | Chisinau, Moldova**
The World Bank and the e-Governance Center of Moldova are jointly sponsoring Moldova Open Government Day. Theresa Pardo will present on the U.S experience with open government; other speakers include Andrew Stott from the UK Transparency Board, Daniel Dietrich from the Open Knowledge Foundation, and many more participants representing civil society (NGO); data journalism; academia, donors and leading government representatives. The first part of the day is geared towards helping Moldova finalize its draft National Open Government Action Plan in preparation to joining the Open Government Partnership. The second part, a Seminar on Open Budget Data, will be livecast at 10 am EST. This session will focus on Moldova's use of BOOST, a new tool developed by the World Bank to help its client countries in their efforts to enhance budget spending transparency. More>>

Cook Presents Analysis of Public Value Assessments to USDOT Executive Steering Committee
March 6, 2012 | Washington, DC
As part of President Obama’s Open Government Initiative, all federal agencies are required to submit an updated version of their Open Government Plan to the White House by April 2012. In meeting this requirement, the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) is using CTG’s Open Government Portfolio Public Value Assessment Tool (PVAT) to maximize the impact of their open government portfolio. Meghan Cook analyzed the public value assessments of 11 proposed USDOT initiatives to be included in their updated plan and presented findings to the Agency’s Open Government Executive Steering Committee (OGESG). The committee will use this information for decision making about their Flagship Initiative and will incorporate the public value findings in their updated Open Government Plan. More>>